

Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Original) A hair-conditioning composition comprising

- a) 60% by weight or more of water,
- b) from 0.1 to 10% by weight of alkyl trimethylammonium salt wherein the alkyl group is selected from C₁₆ to C₂₂ saturated alkyl chains and mixtures thereof,
- c) from 0.02 to 5% by weight of dialkylethyl dimethylammonium salt wherein the alkyl chains are selected from C₁₆ to C₂₂ saturated or unsaturated alkyl chains and mixtures thereof,
- d) from 0.5 to 10% by weight of a fatty material, comprising from 12 to 22 carbon atoms, selected from the group consisting of fatty alcohols, fatty acids, alkoxylated fatty alcohols and mixtures thereof, and
- e) from 0.05 to 1% alkali metal halide,

wherein the weight ratio of the alkyl trimethylammonium salt to the dialkylethyl dimethylammonium salt is from 15:1 to 2:1.

Claim 2 (Original) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the fatty material is a monohydric primary alcohol with an alkyl chain selected from C₁₆ to C₁₈ saturated chains and mixtures thereof.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended) A composition according to ~~any preceding claim~~claim 1 wherein the alkali metal halide is potassium chloride.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended) A composition according to ~~any preceding claim~~claim 1 wherein the alkyl trimethylammonium salt has an anion selected from the group consisting of halides, methosulphate and mixtures thereof.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended) A composition according to ~~any preceding claim~~claim 1 wherein the dialkylethyl dimethylammonium salt has an anion selected from the group consisting of halides, methosulphate and mixtures thereof.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended) A composition according to ~~any preceding claim~~claim 1 wherein the alkyl trimethylammonium salt is cetyl trimethylammonium chloride.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended) A composition according to ~~any preceding claim~~claim 1 wherein the dialkylethyl dimethylammonium salt is dipalmitoylethyl dimethylammonium chloride.

Claim 8. (Currently Amended) A composition according to ~~any preceding claim~~claim 1 wherein the weight ratio of the alkyl trimethylammonium salt to the dialkylethyl dimethylammonium salt is from 8:1 to 4:1.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended) A composition according to ~~any preceding claim~~claim 1 which further comprises a hydrophobic conditioning oil.

Claim 10 (Original) A composition according to claim 9 wherein the hydrophobic conditioning oil is a silicone oil.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended) A method of preparing an opacified hair conditioning composition by using a composition according to ~~any preceding claim~~claim 1.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended) A method of treating the hair comprising the steps of;

- i) applying to the hair a composition according to ~~any of claims 1 to 10~~claim 1,
- ii) rinsing the hair with water, and
- iii) drying the hair.